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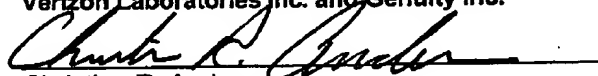
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Filed: November 20, 2001

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For: INTEGRATED METHOD FOR PERFORMING
SCHEDULING, ROUTING AND ACCESS
CONTROL IN A COMPUTER NETWORK

**COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS
FOR ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR §1.104(E)**

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Dear Sir:

Applicant has received the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance with the December 28, 2004, Notices of Allowance and Allowability regarding the above-identified application. Entry of the Statement into the record should not be construed as any agreement with or acquiescence in the reasoning stated by the Examiner. Each of the claims stands on its own merits and is patentable because of the combination it recites and not because of the presence or absence of any one particular element.

The Examiner's Statement was not prepared by Applicant and only contains the Examiner's possible positions in one or more reasons for allowability. Thus, any interpretation with respect to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance should not be imputed to the Applicant. Among other things, comments made by the Examiner with respect to one or more grounds for allowance are not applicable to all of the independent claims. As merely one example, independent claim 23 is not a method claim. Moreover, its limitations relate to a physical, link layer and network layers being interdependently integrated with one another by at

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least one of a scheduling, routing and access control decision in a current time frame being made by relying on at least one of a scheduling, routing and access control decision made in a previous time frame. There is no reference in allowed independent claim 23 to certain limitations that the Examiner mentions in the Statement of Reasons of Allowance such as "allocating the network-wide capacity". Thus, each of the claims must be read on their own, for the limitations associated with that particular claim.

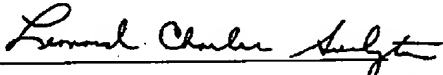
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